



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the Application of: Docket No. 2517-USA
Douglas P. Cerretti
Serial No.: 09/890,323 Examiner: William W. Moore
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For: METALLOPROTEINASE-DISINTEGRIN POLYPEPTIDES (as amended)

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136 (a)

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests that the time for filing a response to the Office Action dated June 18, 2002 be extended for a period of three months to December 18, 2002. An Amendment and Response is being filed concurrently with this Petition.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge the required fee of \$920 and any other fee occasioned by this response to Deposit Account No. 09-0089. A copy of this Petition is provided for this purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

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